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3. The drawings filed on <u>08 September 2000</u> are accepted	I by the Examiner.				
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Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance



Supplemental Notice of Allowance

1. Claims 1-22 and 24-78 are pending.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with David Walker (Reg# 52,334) on 5/18/2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 24. The method of claim 21 wherein associating the first key with the specific copy of the analyzer program includes compiling the specific copy of the analyzer program to include the first key.

Claim 25. The method of claim 21 wherein associating the first key with the specific conduit data includes determining a characteristic value for a characteristic parameter representative of a characteristic of the specific conduit data, generating a second key

utilizing the first key and the characteristic value, and including the second key within the specific conduit data.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-22 and 24-78 are allowed.

The reasons for allowance may be found in the notice of allowance mailed 3/17/2005.

This supplemental notice of allowance is intended to correct claims 24 and 25 that had previously been dependent upon canceled claim 23. Both claims hereafter are corrected to depend upon claim 21.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Andrew L. Nalven whose telephone number is 571 272 3839. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Thursday 8-6, Alternate Fridays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gregory Morse can be reached on 571 272 3838. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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